

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	
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vs.)	
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)	CRIM. NOS. 06-216
LACY E. TILLEY,)	07-290
)	09-43
Defendant.)	
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MEMORANDUM OPINION

CONTI, Chief District Judge.

Pending before the court is a pro se “motion for change of jurisdiction” filed by defendant Lacy E. Tilley (“Tilley” or “defendant”) at three of his criminal cases. (Crim. No. 09-43, ECF No. 172; Crim. No. 07-290, ECF No. 218; Crim. No. 6-216, ECF No. 620). Tilley filed an addendum to the motion. The government did not file a response. The court concludes that a response is not necessary.

On April 15, 2011, the court sentenced Tilley to 110 months of incarceration and three years of supervised release at each case, to run concurrently, and ordered him to pay restitution. In the pending motion, Tilley requests that his case be transferred to the Northern District of Ohio. Tilley grew up in Painesville, OH and his father still resides there. Tilley asserts that he has no ties to the Pittsburgh area other than the employment that led to his criminal conviction, and has numerous adversaries in this area.

At the time Tilley filed the motion, he was detained at FCI Elkton. Tilley was primarily concerned about the Bureau of Prisons’ directive that he be released from prison in the Pittsburgh area. He feared losing time in a halfway house because he did not have an appropriate release plan

or support system in Pittsburgh. Since then, Tilley has relocated to his hometown of Painesville, OH. Tilley is reportedly doing well on supervised release and is being supervised by the probation office in Ohio, although this court retains jurisdiction over Tilley's criminal case.¹

Because the relief sought by Tilley in the motion has been largely realized, the motion will be DENIED without prejudice to refile if Tilley can demonstrate a particularized burden resulting from this court's continued exercise of jurisdiction over his criminal case.

An appropriate order will be entered.

August 22, 2018

BY THE COURT:
/s/ Joy Flowers Conti
Joy Flowers Conti
Chief United States District Judge

¹ The district court for the Northern District of Ohio has not requested a transfer of jurisdiction.